

SELL IT THROUGH A WANT AD!

One five horse Johnson outboard motor. See Charles Lindsey. 11m12c

FOR SALE

Male Irish Setter, answers to the name of "Mac". Last seen at home Saturday, May 6th. Any one having seen this dog please notify Mrs. W. M. Brunson. 11m12c

FOR RENT

Unfurnished apartment. Three rooms, bath and kitchen. Call Mrs. W. M. Brunson. 11m12c

STRAYED

A yearling came to my place in January. Owner can have same by identifying and paying expenses. E. D. Harrison, Elba Route 5. 11m12c

THANKS

I wish to thank the good citizens of Beat 4, Coffee County, for their support in my race for Beat Committee. I will strive to give everybody a square deal. Zelmer W. Williams. 11m12c

FOR RENT

For part of summer, New beach cottage consisting of four bedrooms, living room, breakfast room, kitchen and bath. Make reservations now. Mrs. Robert Folsom. Phone 226, Elba. 11m12c

You could be paying up to 25% too much for your insurance in Elba. This includes your Home, your Auto, and your Business. It's your money. Ask us for rates.

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THANKS

I wish to express my deep appreciation to each of you who voted for me and supported me in the primary election of May 2nd.

I earnestly solicit the vote of all the people in the election to be held on May 30th

Experience is necessary for success. Vote for a man who has had over 20 years of successful business experience

Ed C. Sherling

(Paid Pol. Adv. by Ed C. Sherling, Enterprise, Ala.)

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO FILE CLAIMS

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Mary Alice Mays, was duly appointed Executrix of the Estate of E. L. Harper, deceased, by the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, Elba Division, on May 3, 1950. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to file the same within the time allowed by law, or else the same will be barred.

Mary Alice Mays, Executrix. 11m12c

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Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Mrs. Lizzie Addison, was duly appointed Executrix of the Estate of J. D. Addison, deceased, by the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, Elba Division, on May 3, 1950. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to file the same within the time allowed by law, or else the same will be barred.

Mrs. Lizzie Addison, Executrix. 11m12c

FOR SALE

Two purchased OIC Gills seven weeks old. See Ed Hudson, Elba Route 2. 11m12c

WANTED AT ONCE

Man or woman to supply Raleigh household necessities to consumers in the town of Elba. Full or part time. A postal card upon being sent to the undersigned, will be returned with full details of our obligations. Write Raleigh's, Dept. ALD - 600 - EOB, Memphis, Tenn. 27ap41c

FRYERS FOR SALE

See W. M. Reddick, Elba. 27ap31c

RADIO REPAIRS

Is your radio just the way you want it? Don't put up with improper reception. Bring your radio troubles to Barnes Radio Service at New Brockton. 27ap31c

Should Work

A young man just out of college sought the advice of a hard-headed, successful businessman. "Tell me, please, how I should go about getting a start in the great game of business?"

"Sell your wrist watch and buy an alarm clock," was the laconic reply.

Could Be

"Speaking of animals remembering," said the elderly man, "when I was a boy I once gave a circus elephant a stick of striped candy."

"After that, whenever that circus was to parade in the town, the barbers had to take in their striped poles."

No Zero

"So that distinguished-looking gentleman in the tall hat is your citizen, eh?" he received many degrees from colleges."

"Has he? Why, he has received so many degrees we call him the 'Human Thermometer'."

PRECAUTION

"You look sweet enough to eat," he whispered softly to the candidate. "I am," said the candidate. "Where do you want to go?"

MEOW!!!

"So your husband objects to cats?"

"Yes, indeed. He says that I feed all the cats in the neighborhood. Won't you stay and have tea?"

The Whole Truth

"I knew an artist once who painted a cat on the ceiling so realistically that the maid spent hours trying to get it down."

"Sorry, dear, I just don't believe it."

"Why not? Artists have been known to do such things."

"Yes, but not midgets!"

Who Will Harvest This Year's Crop?



DEAR EDITOR

(Continued from page)

I am a modest sort of fellow and I appreciate the compliment anybody pays me when they read my riffs and it don't make a hoot with me whether they agree with it or not.

Now for this week's story—Ready! your article two weeks ago about the trouble Mr. Brown had with a fox in his chicken-house reminds me of a chicken-troble I had once. It was in the spring of the year, but nights was still chilly and I found it very comforting to sleep in a pair of long handle underwear. Now in case you don't know, long handles come in three styles: the flap back, the split back and the two piece. For reasons of my own I preferred the split back.

On this particular night in question, my chickens set up a squawk that threatened to raise the roof off my henhouse. Now my houn' dog Emanuel usually takes care of these little disturbances, but from all the fuss the chickens was makin' I guess Emanuel figured he weren't the dog for the job and that exactly expressed the way I felt about the matter. If I then chickens didn't have no better sense than to let anything that terrifying get in the chicken house, they could just look out for themselves. However, Bessie didn't see it that way at all.

Pretty soon Bessie rolled over and asked me what was making all that noise and I told her I didn't hear nothin' and she says she knows I ain't stone deaf, and I'm just skeered out of my wits about them chickens. Shore I ain't hankering to go out, but Bessie came to a mighty determined woman when the safety of her chickens is involved and after she has a few minutes to work herself up to the boiling point I figure that whatever is in the chicken house can't be no worse than Bessie. You know, I don't know what I'd a done without Bessie all these years, but it woulda been fun I betcha.

Well, as I was goin' on to say, I loaded up my old double barrel and pulled the hammer back and crept out the front door in my long handles. I coulda gone out the back, but I figured that maybe whatever it was would get away before I could get around the house. There was a bright moon shining and when I got to the fur corner of the house I poked ole Betsy around

Little Girl Prepares

Against Bombing

In a little cottage a group of five women and four men met often. They had a definite purpose. It was an avowed determination to save a spark of humanity from extinction by hydrogen bomb blasts.

Here, looking eastward from Rocky Cape and the little cove, meets under the leadership of a man known among some of the outsiders as "The Zoom." He has been quoted as saying he is from Newark, N. J., where he reportedly was known as Jack Giddie.

MAY 31

IS THE LAST DAY WE CAN TAKE APPLICATIONS FOR BLUE CROSS HOSPITAL INSURANCE

If you are interested in hospital insurance be sure to file your application in our office or see your agent. Office is now open six days each week.

Farm Bureau Insurance Services

ED DONALDSON, Agent - Elba Rt. 3

Office over Enterprise Banking Co., Phone Enterprise 364

THE WINDY CORNER

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the body to Tabernacle for burial. The brother-in-law was John Mixson. The body was placed on a layer of charcoal and covered with another layer of charcoal, since war dead were not embalmed. It required a week to make the trip on a wagon. Burial was held at Tabernacle church on December 23, 1952.

After the Civil War there were newcomers to the Farmers Academy community. Among them was Abe Shivar, who operated a grocery store, saloon, and a grist mill on Boles Creek.

After the days of reconstruction the farmers began using commercial fertilizer. They hauled it from Troy with ox teams, and it required three days to make a round trip.

As the nineteenth century drew to a close, the land owners built houses of lumber, usually three or four room houses of cottage style. Many of the houses were celled and painted.

Farmers Academy is several miles from a town, therefore a country store became a necessity to the community. J. T. Jones built a store for general merchandise, hardware, groceries, drugs, and sundries.

BASEBALL

ELBA vs SHELLHORN

Sunday Afternoon, May 14th

NELSON FIELD ELBA, ALABAMA

Admission 20c & 35c

Automatic G-E "Speed Cooking"

with push buttons...

At a never-before low price!

AS LITTLE AS \$3.00 A WEEK

SPEEDSTER RANGE

Of course, it's electric!

Easy Pay Tire Store

Phone 240 - L. L. English - Elba, Ala.

GENERAL ELECTRIC RANGES

About People and Things

By C. B. McDowell

Tommy Can't Wait; Gets Untimely Bath

Messrs Jordan Lindsey, Charles Lindsey, Tommy Thomson and little Scotty Lindsey went fishing last Friday down on the lower Choctawhatchee river and brought back the full limit of 75 fine broom. It was one of the prettiest strings of broom I have seen this season.

The Lindsey's say that Tommy's impatience to get to his fishing caused him to get an untimely bath. They parked their car on a short cut leading from the river bank and while they were baiting their hooks and making other preparations they heard a big splash and found Tommy clinging to some bushes on the bank trying to climb out of the water. They said he was in such a hurry he walked right off into the river which was 10 feet deep. However, the sun was shining brightly and his clothing soon dried and his injury caused him no apparent worry except embarrassment.

Kills Strange Fox

Mr. Cull McCollough brought a gray fox to the Health office Wednesday morning which he killed at his home about seven miles north of Elba on the Elba-Victoria highway. Mr. McCollough said he heard something under his truck which sounded like a chicken squawking or wheezing. He discovered it to be a large gray fox that was acting strangely. He shot it through the head and brought the carcass to town.

Mr. McCollough said he had not heard of any animals being bitten by the strange acting fox, but the head will probably be sent off for examination. Many foxes have been reported in various communities of the county and everybody should be on the lookout for them, as a mad fox is a dangerous animal.

Hog Prices Advance

Hog prices are still advancing. Number ones brought \$18.80 at the Elba Livestock sale Monday, an advance of 80 points over the \$18.00 paid the week before. The advancing prices are encouraging to hog raisers and it is causing a revival of the demand for brood sows and feeders. Hog raising in Coffee County has grown to large proportions and is steadily increasing. Better stock and improved feeding methods are making hog raising more and more profitable.

Kills Rattlesnake

Lucius English reports that while driving his truck recently in Crenshaw County a small rattlesnake crossed the highway in front of him. He stopped the truck with the back wheel on the snake and crushed the life out of it. He then noticed a large king snake nearby watching the rattler, evidently anxious to enjoy a luscious rattlesnake meal. It is said that king snakes make a practice of crushing rattlers with their tails and swallowing them whole. Mr. English said the king snake crawled away when he saw the truck had done the crushing job for him.

Going Strong At 88

"Uncle Bill" Cosby was seen hopping about Monday like a youngster, with a smile that reached from ear to ear. He had celebrated his 88th birthday by going to Troy for a physical check up. He was told that he was physically fit and good for at least another fifteen years. Mr. Cosby is a remarkable character and despite his 88 years he can read without glasses, eats heartily and really enjoys life. He is one of Elba's pioneer citizens and has a host of friends.

BEN CONNER COMES HOME

Ben F. Conner who has been operating an oyster bar in Luverne for several months, has closed his business for the season and returned to Elba. He said Luverne is supporting a baseball team handsomely and the club is a strong aggregation. He said Elba's Tex Young is the team's best man on the mound and is responsible for much of the club's success.

The Elba Clipper

"COMPLETE NEWS COVERAGE OF COFFEE COUNTY"

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Dear Editor

Graduation time is here again and according to your paper Elba High School is gonna produce fifty-three graduates come Friday night. However, it's gonna produce fifty-four on account of your leaving off the name of Miss Louise Flowers. You ought not to do that. Louise has worked hard for twelve years for that diploma and here you go and make a mistake. You ought to be congratulated on passing another milestone on the highway of life; how they are now entering maturity and the productive period of their lives; and how that soon they will take their places at the helm and will be running this old world of tomorrow.

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Smith Bros. Celebrate Fortieth Anniversary

On May 19 of this week Smith Brothers Store in West Elba will observe its fortieth anniversary making it the oldest establishment in Elba under the same management. It was established May 19, 1910 at its present location by Claude N. and J. Drayton Smith. The elder partner died several years ago and the junior member of the firm has continued the business under the name of Smith Bros.

On The Farm Vet Trainees

With The

JAMES E. BRYAN

James E. Bryan of the Pine Level community never had any doubt about what occupation he would follow. James was discharged from the army in July of 1946. When he got home he immediately began looking for farm work, not thinking he would be able to make a crop that year. However, he found a farmer who wanted to sell his crop and mule, and purchased them and completed the crop.

Birds Defeat Shellhorn

In what was said to have been the best game they have played this season, the Redbirds won over the strong Shellhorn team at Nelson Field Sunday afternoon by a 7-5 score. A two-run homer by Ott Williams contributed to the victory. The birds were held to two less safeties than were made by the visitors, but they made theirs count to a better advantage.

Funeral Services For Mrs. Johnson

Mrs. Bessie Johnson, highly esteemed housewife of the Damascus community, died at her home May 14, following an illness of two weeks, a heart attack being given as the immediate cause of her death. She was born in Montgomery County but had resided in the Damascus community for the past ten years. She was a daughter of Mrs. Alice and Mr. Will Jackson. She was a member of the Baptist church. She was 65 years of age.

No Rocking Chairs

Mrs. Kline Bentley, president of the Elba P.T.A., announces that on account of the closing exercises of the schools this week and the revival services at the First Baptist church the following week it has been decided to postpone the "Fun Night" programs on Tuesday nights of this week and next. Mrs. Bentley said it is the plan to resume the Fun Night programs on the fourth Tuesday night in May. The initial program held Tuesday night of last week was a fine success and the project promises to be popular and beneficial.

SCHOOL BUS GATHERS 'EM UP FOR CHURCH

The members of the Wise Mill Church of God are giving the people of that community little excuse for non-attendance at their Sunday School and church service. They have raised a fund to defray expenses of using a school bus to transport persons to and from the services. This project is said to be producing good results.

Henry Alberson Goes To Kilby Prison For Execution On July 7th

Sheriff H. D. Tillman and Deputy D. B. Addison carried Henry Alberson, 63, condemned to be executed July 7, to Kilby prison this week. Alberson was sentenced for the killing of Early Stokes in Enterprise Oct. 31, 1948. The death sentence was upheld by the State Supreme Court.

Redbirds Defeat Troy And Shellhorn To Take League Lead

The Elba Redbirds continued their winning ways the past week, adding two more games to their win column, which adds up to five games without a loss in Tri-C competition. A 19-19 tie is the only smear on their record.

Will Play Enterprise Team At Nelson Field Sunday P. M.

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Mrs. Teague Dies After Long Illness

Mrs. Annie Belle Teague, died at her home in Beat 1 following an illness of about five months. She was born in Arton, September 14, 1908 and had resided in Beat 6 for about 2 and one-half years, during which time she had made many friends. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benny Whitehead.

Elba Baptist Revival Services Will Start Next Sunday Morning

Next Sunday morning, May 21, is the day set aside some weeks ago to begin our Spring Revival at the Baptist Church. School will be over and our vacations will not yet have begun. All of our members and visitors are very best to the meeting. Dr. James Allen Smith of Dothan, will be our preacher beginning with the morning service Sunday day. Dr. Smith is one of the outstanding preachers of the Alabama Baptist State Convention. We are expecting his stay among us to be very helpful to all in the community who will take advantage of the opportunity to hear him preach the gospel after the New Testament plan, and in a way that all will appreciate.

Husband Of Elba Woman Dies Of Gunshot Wounds

Harford Baptist Church will begin with its Sunday night, leading us in the Prayer and Praise Service. All singers are invited to help make that part of the service just what it ought to be. We want this meeting to be the kind of meeting that will be of help to our church and community. Our friends are cordially invited and urged to worship with us during these eight days of helpful service. Daily services will be held at 7:00 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. "Come thou to call him to dinner and found with us and we will do thee good."

Cecil Jernigan Victim Of Self-Inflicted Pistol Wound

Cecil Jernigan, husband of the former Miss Marietta Lee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lee, died Saturday at noon in his room in a hotel at Kilby prison, from a pistol shot.

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The Windy Corner

(By Fred S. Watson)

During the 1890's there was a network of country roads in this county, but to graded roads. One of the best of these roads was to the post office at Haw Ridge, five miles from Farmers Academy Community. Millard Law and Billie Mixson went for the mail of the community each Saturday morning.

In 1891 Billie Mixson was instrumental in establishing the "Tribune" post office at his home, and he was the postmaster. On the first of August, 1892, he was elected to represent Coffee County in the State Legislature of Alabama.

Post offices were also established in the community of Adair (near Eaton) with a Mr. Simmons as postmaster, and at Fayette with Elijah Polson, father of Governor James E. Folsom, as postmaster. Citizens usually went for their mail twice or more times a week after these post offices were established.

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In 1938, thirty-five percent of the families subscribed to daily newspapers. Several improvements were made in the Farmers Academy community soon after 1900. Twenty-five percent of the families were land owners, living in good "rented" houses, planted and reared. The tenant farmer's living conditions were not nearly as good as those of the landowners.

There were more than forty telephones in the community with a line to Haw Ridge, the home of Dr. Dan Mixson. The farmers of Farmers Academy community lived within their means and saved a little each year. They raised hogs, cows, chickens, goats, corn, food-crop, hay, velvet beans, peanuts, cane. They practiced diversified farming.

After the war fifty percent of the landowners sold their land to newcomers or tenants and moved to Enterprise, New Brockton or Elba. All of these towns were built with the help of many people from Farmers Academy community. Money from this community inspired the opening of two banks in New Brockton. The community had reached its summit. The new land owners did not have the money to pay for the land so they borrowed it from the Federal Land Bank of New Orleans. Then came a recession in agriculture. The sandy soil was worn out, soil erosion had played its part, the hoe would destroy a portion of the cotton, and fences were too dilapidated for hog raising. Some of the farmers tried raising tobacco, but again met with failure. Worms ate the tobacco, for, hay, velvet beans, peanuts, cane. They practiced diversified farming.

(Watch for a continuation of this history next week.)

This Is Your Paper Those 'Changed' News Items

By William R. Nelson

"WHENEVER I bring in a news item, why do you always change it all around?" That question is one of the most frequently asked in every home town newspaper office in the country. Sometimes it is asked in considerable exasperation.

The answer is, of course, that news stories are easier to read, better understood, take less space, when they are written to conform to a somewhat flexible pattern. That style, developed over the years, is fairly uniform in all newspapers because it is designed to evaluate the facts for their news value and tell them quickly and clearly.

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Felix Retires

By Richard Hill Wilkinson

WHEN FELIX BRENDLINGER retired to private life he was called to be a "figure" in Mayfield. If you took time to analyze the reason, the answer was simple. For 30 years Felix had left his home on Pleasant street at exactly 7:35 in the morning, walked a quarter mile to the railroad station, and boarded the 7:40 train for Longview, and spent the day in that distant city at a desk in the insurance office of Booth, Gill and Dyer. Every evening he disembarked from the 5:32 train and traveled the quarter-mile to his Pleasant street home.

Mayfield citizens were used to the sight of Felix walking briskly to and from the railroad station. Sometimes some one would ask him to do an errand in Longview, and he'd always oblige. Frequently he would deliver choice bits of news to friends and acquaintances. Booth, Gill and Dyer had been together for 20 years. They had a long and successful partnership. Felix could tell when the boat arrived in port, or when they were delayed by storms and when important persons were arriving from abroad.

There were a hundred and one things that Felix had done and did do that achieved for him a certain recognition. The editor tries to pack his paper with as much news as he can get, written in clear, readable style, and arranged to give the paper a varied and attractive appearance. Yet he cannot preserve the entire content of an issue in an hour or a day.

Because writing, editing, setting type, putting the paper in the press, and printing, addressing and delivering take time, they must start early enough to conclude at a specified time each issue. If news stories are not written so they can be made to fit the space assigned to them, much time will be lost and the paper will contain fewer stories and be less interesting.

The editor is a specialist whose job is to select the news of what interests people. He will choose news and does his best to present it in accurate, readable, interesting form.

Next time you bring in a news item, and it is "changed all around," remember that it was rewritten into news style to help you make it of interest to the greatest possible number of readers of the paper.

Another month passed and Felix was again to retire. He was a case for the "early doctor." Then one day a letter arrived from Booth, Gill and Dyer. They wanted to know if Felix would consider coming in for a few days to assist in straightening out some matters about which they could not agree.

"The idea," Felix's wife exclaimed, "don't they know—but of course they don't—I'll write him immediately and tell them how busy you are!"

"You'll do no such thing!" Felix exclaimed, his eyes gleaming. "I'm catching the 7:40 in the morning!"

THE JOB lasted three weeks. During that time Felix became a figure once more. People became used to him going back and forth to the train. Unconsciously they fell into the old routine of asking him to do errands and demanding choice bits of news. Felix was happy again. He beamed. He put on weight. He felt important. He was important.

On the day that Felix finished up the special work, Mr. Gill apologized. "Felix, how about staying on with us awhile? You're not old enough to retire. We need you here."

"Need me?" "As long as you'll stay. Oh, I realize that sooner or later we'll have to get along without you, but as far as staying with us, I'm afraid I'll have to turn down the offer. You see, I've got some chickens and a garden out home that need my attention. And—well—now I'll be able to retire with a clear conscience."

HEALTH HINTS

for LIVESTOCK

BAD WATER BRINGS ANIMAL DISEASES. It has been known for centuries that a bad water supply may spread human diseases and cattle. It is not so generally known that dirty livestock losses can be avoided.

Water holes can spread disease, also occur where pure water is not available at all times. Old water tanks may harbor the living larvae of many varieties of parasites, or even disease-producing bacteria. Stale ponds or bucket water may be incubators for parasites and virulent germs.

While for cold water may not actually cause disease, it cuts down on livestock profits because animals will not drink enough. The livestock owner should not wait until faulty water supplies cause losses. He should survey the situation on his farm and take the necessary preventive measures before losses occur.

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NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING

A neighborhood meeting of the Asbury community was held on Wednesday night, May 10, at the home of Mrs. Elmer Layton. There were 14 members present. Games were played and the following officers elected:

President, Mack Mack; Vice-president, Pete Mann; Secretary and Treasurer, Donald Harrison; Reporter, Eleanor Layton; Song Leader, Ethel Grace Grimes; Recreation Leader, Lavonne Harrison; Group Chairman, Nelda Grimes.

The meeting adjourned and the group will meet again in June. Mary Jo Grimes, leader.

The first American settlers came to the site of present day Selma in 1809. Due to the chunky appearance of the high river bluffs, they named the location High Soapstone Bluff.

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THURSDAY, MAY 18, 1950

Births Reported In Coffee County During Month Of April

Following is a list of all births reported to the Coffee County Health Department during the month of April, 1950.

Mr. and Mrs. James C. Boulwell, boy, Elba Rt. 1; Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Brislin, girl, Tuscaloosa, Ala.; Mr. and Mrs. James P. Brooks, girl, Elba Rt. 5; Mr. and Mrs. Wendell C. Chancey, girl, Enterprise; Mr. and Mrs. Early F. Cardwell, girl, Kinston Rt. 1; Mr. and Mrs. Angus E. Campbell, boy, Geneva; Mr. and Mrs. Winfield Divine, boy, Elba Rt. 3; Mr. and Mrs. Louis F. Eldridge, girl, Arden Route 1; Mr. and Mrs. James E. Flowers, boy, New Brockton Rt. 1; Mr. and Mrs. Roy H. Faulk, boy, Tennesse Rt. 1; Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Gunter, boy, New Brockton.

Dr. and Mrs. James T. Grimes, girl, Enterprise; Mr. and Mrs. James A. Gallimore, boy, Geneva; Mr. and Mrs. Curtis D. Hodges, boy, Elba Rt. 5; Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell Howell, boy, Enterprise; Mr. and Mrs. Henry H. Howell, boy, Enterprise.

Mr. and Mrs. Varnell Weeks, boy, Clomox, Ga. Rt. 1; Mr. and Mrs. Paul W. White, girl, Samson Rt. 1; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Wilkins, girl, Tennesse Rt. 1; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Williams, boy, Arden Rt. 1.

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News From Kinston

(By Mrs. Rayford Stephens)

MAY DAY TERMED BIG SUCCESS AT KINSTON

The Elementary school gave its annual May Day program May 1 at 8:00 P. M. Crowned as May Queen of 1950 was Ann Donaldson from the sixth grade who was chosen by popular vote of the entire school. Her king was Bobby Wise, also from the sixth grade. The crown bearers were Larry Rhoades and Roy Donaldson. A maid and knight were chosen by popular vote from each of the elementary rooms and were as follows:

Jenny Fuller, Jerry Davis; Jolinda Saunders, Jimmy Harbison; Carolyn Matthews, Paul Wise; Jean Day, Orvil Goodin; Mary Ann Moody, Billy Rhoades; Mary Jo Smith, Junior Hall; Mary Weeks, Jimmy Carol Rhoades; Maxine Sexton, Roy and Clark.

The heralds were Larry Raley, Donnie Roberts, Haskell Nevlin, and Tommy Steele. The flower girls were Linda Wood, Elaine Stuart, Teresa Wise, Martha Moody, Nancy Coon, Barbara Sue Malory, Betty Roberts, Diane Weeks, Myra Martin, Diane Milton, Claire Hornsby and Cecilia Sutherland. The crown bearer, train bearers and the flower girls were all pre-school age children. The coronation service was under the direction of Mrs. Ernie Cain.

The theme of the May Day program for the year was "The Growth of America in Dance and Song." The May Pole was lined with streamers of red, white, and blue. Songs were rendered by the high school glee club and chorus composed of the 4th, 5th and 6th grades. A dance was presented by each grade in connection with the theme. Mrs. George Clark served as narrator for the entire program.

The lovely decorations were arranged by a group of ladies with Mrs. Fred Wood as chairman.

PARTY FOR GRADUATES

Mrs. J. T. Pierce and Mrs. Howard Moody were joint hostesses Thursday evening at the home of the former when they entertained, honoring Misses Betty Johnson, Tofie Ham, Jean Goodin, Betty Sue Smith and Ann Merle Pierce, members of the senior class of Kinston High School.

The guests arrived at 6:30 and were invited into the dining room where a delicious buffet supper was served. From the dining room they were directed into the living room where dancing and games were enjoyed. At 11:00 o'clock the boys departed leaving the girls to entertain for a spend-the-night party.

Those present for this occasion, other than the honorees, were Misses Jane Donaldson, Betty Clark, Sue Adams, Mahlon Grime, Betty Jean Wise, and Mrs. Lynn Grimes Whitman. Messrs. Edward Baxley, Bobby Davis, Edward Powell, Douglas Rhodes, Jimmy Ward, Jimmy Perry, and Pete Brooks. Mrs. Pierce presented each senior with a graduation gift.

Mrs. Mae Rhoades who has spent the past several weeks in Columbus, Miss., with Mr. and Mrs. Garland Rhoades and family returned home this week-end. She was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Rhoades and family, who spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. V. Rhoades Sunday honoring their mother, Mrs. Mae Rhoades, on Mother's Day.

Miss Kathleen Perry of Atlanta, Ga., returned home Wednesday following several days visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Perry.

"WHO'S WHO" IN KINSTON

At a recent election the following students were elected to indicated posts by a popular vote in Kinston High School: Most beautiful girl, Foye Mathews; Most handsome boy, Guy Johnson; Best Athlete, Doug Rhodes; Most Valuable Student, Virginia Wicker; Student Most Likely to Succeed, Edward Powell; Best All-Around boy, Edward Powell; Best All-Around girl, Jean Goodin; Wittiest student, Jimmy Perry; Best citizen at K.H.S., Virginia Wicker; Most Loveliest Couple, Edward Baxley and Betty Jean Wise.

God and Our Rights

Lesson for May 21, 1950

CIVIL RIGHTS are now a political football in the United States. Every legislator likes to be known as favoring them. Everybody seems to be all out for rights for everybody. Then why isn't everybody satisfied? The truth is, a lot of us just talk. When it comes down to political facts, the people who get their "rights" recognized first are the people with the most votes. The little people, especially if they haven't too many votes, are likely to be stepped on.

Cannibal Country THIS IS NOT a new problem. Long ago the prophet Micah said some brave words about it. He was a small-town man living in a village near the Judean-Philistine border line. Judah was at that time mostly rural.

The villages were made up of farmers, who did not live on their farms as we do but lived all together for protection, going out to the country by day to work their farms, coming back to the village at night. None of them owned very much land, and few indeed were rich.

There was just one big city in Judah, Jerusalem, the capital. Compared with the rest of the country it was immense and immensely rich. Now it does not take two guesses to know how Judah, as a nation, was run. Jerusalem ran it. The big city was growing richer and richer while the country grew poorer and poorer.

Half Slave, Half Free NO COUNTRY is a good country, no country is in a healthy condition, if one part of it is tearing the other part down. If the strong are living off the weak, the whole nation grows weak. Micah saw that exactly; indeed, he predicted that because of the kind of country it was, half oppressed and half oppressing, it would be destroyed.

No enemy of his country, he did not enjoy forecasting its downfall. But he loved people, he loved his country neighbors; he could see what was happening to people who were being crushed down into the dirt, he knew that could not go on and on without a smash. (And it came!)

This has been the story over and over again in the history of nations. When the few grow strong at the expense of the many, when wealth is concentrated in a few cities, or in a few individuals or families, look out!

When this goes on for a long time and becomes a sort of national habit, the nation may not fall at once but becomes a pushover for anybody who wants to take it. Why, for instance, was the downfall of the "Nationalists" in China so swift? It was because the Chinese people had become convinced that the political leaders and their wealthy backers were in it for what they could get out of it. Why did so many Nationalist troops fail to fight, why did they surrender repeatedly without striking a blow? Because armies are made of common men, and the common man has been taking a beating too long. There is very little patriotism in a beaten man.

We Have Our Own Problems. WE ARE FORTUNATE in that we live in more democratic times and lands. It should never be forgotten that democracy is a fruit of the Jewish-Christian tradition which the prophet Micah helped to form. It was the prophet who plowed deeply the soil out of which democracy has grown.

Many of the laws of our land are intended to keep the strong from eating up the weak. The farmer, the man out of work, the man with the small job, the man with the small business—they are protected under our government, whether in Canada or in the United States, as they never were in ancient Judah.

To test whether we are treating others right, especially those who are weaker than ourselves, we need first to ask these basic questions: Do these people get their share of justice, and are we helping them get it? Do we treat them with mercy or do we only "use" them for our own benefit?

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MRS. COON HOSTESS TO HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

Mrs. W. L. Coon was hostess to the members of the Kinston Home Demonstration Club last Thursday afternoon at her home. Most beautiful girl, Foye Mathews; Most handsome boy, Guy Johnson; Best Athlete, Doug Rhodes; Most Valuable Student, Virginia Wicker; Student Most Likely to Succeed, Edward Powell; Best All-Around boy, Edward Powell; Best All-Around girl, Jean Goodin; Wittiest student, Jimmy Perry; Best citizen at K.H.S., Virginia Wicker; Most Loveliest Couple, Edward Baxley and Betty Jean Wise.

Following the demonstration, a business meeting was held with Mrs. Curtis Goodin, president, presiding.

During the social hour the hostess served delicious afternoon refreshments.

Mrs. and Mrs. Winford Hudson of Mobile spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Gus Hudson, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Hudson arrived here Sunday to spend several days with Mr. and Mrs. Gus Hudson and other relatives. Mrs. Gus Hudson has been in declining health for several weeks and entered Mizell Memorial Hospital Monday for examination and treatment.

Dr. C. W. Sutherland spent last week in Mobile as a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Sutherland.

The Kinston Community council held its regular monthly meeting Monday night, May 15, in the high school library. Mr. Wood, president, presided. The committee on religion had charge of the program and they selected:

Mrs. and Mrs. Max Helms (nee Cubie Dean Nokes) announce the birth of a baby boy born on May 13. He has been named Joseph Michael. Their other children, Diana, Palma Dean and Mrs. Joe Nobles.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Coon accompanied Mr. and Mrs. John Walker of Opp to visit friends and relatives in Sastabury Sunday.

Dr. H. O. Heath of Pensacola, Fla., visited his sister and brother, Mrs. J. L. Kimbro and Mr. Ham Heath, here this week.

Mrs. Anne McLeod returned to Dade City, Fla. last week to spend some time with Mr. and Mrs. R. V. McLeod.

Mrs. Kate Brunson and Miss Mercer Brunson had as their guests on Mother's Day Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Brunson of Columbus, Miss., Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Grimes and daughters, Sue and Jane, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brock and daughters, Dianne, Sherry and Beth; Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Brunson and Ronnie, Mr. and Mrs. James Warren and daughters, Glennie and Janet, all of Birmingham; Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Ball and daughter, Joanna, of Chichester, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. Hayden Prior and son, Michael, Atlanta, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. Forest Brunson and children, Elba and Betty Jean Wise.

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